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1. EGYPTIAN MISSION HAS GIVEN US ENGLISH TEXT OF FAHMY'S APRIL 27 LETTER TO SYG. TEXT IS AS FOLLOWS:

DEAR. MR. SYG,

IN REPLYING TO YOUR NOTE DATED APRIL 1ST 1976, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION FOR THE CONSTANT EFFORTS YOU ARE DEVOTING TO THE CAUSE OF PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, IN PARTICULAR TO THE REVIVAL OF THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS IN ORDER TO AVOID A PERIOD OF STALEMATE OR STAGNATION WITH ITS SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES.

I TAKE NOTE OF YOUR INTENTION TO PURSUE THE MATTER OF RESUMING ACTIVELY THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS IN THE COMING WEEKS. I CONCUR WITH YOUR VIEW THAT THIS SHOULD BE DONE AT THIS STAGE THROUGH YOUR CONTACTS WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF THE PARTIES AT THE UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS.

IN THIS CONNECTION, I NOTE WITH APPRECIATION YOUR SENDING OF THE AFOREMENTIONED NOTE TO THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION, THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. THIS CONSTITUTES A CONSTRUCTIVE STEP TOWARDS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RES 3375 (XXX) WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF THE P.L.O. IN ALL EFFORTS AND DELIBERATIONS ON THE MIDDLE EAST AS WELL AS FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF STEPS TO SECURE THE INVITATION OF THE P.L.O. TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE CONFERENCE ON THE MIDDLE EAST. THIS FALLS IN COMPLETE HARMONY WITH PRESIDENT SADAT'S INITIATIVE IN HIS ADDRESS TO THE GA ON 29 OCT. 1975.

OUR POSITION, IN SO FAR AS THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS IS CONCERNED, REMAINS THE SAME AS REITERATED BY ME TO MR. GUYER IN THE TALKS WE HAD DURING HIS VISIT TO CAIRO ON MARCH 1ST 1976, NAMELY THAT THE RECONVENING OF THE UN PEACE CONFERENCE ON THE M.E. IS THE ONLY VALID COURSE OF ACTION WHICH WOULD GUARANTEE THE CONTINUATION AND THE PRESERVATION OF THE UN ROLE TO WHICH WE ARE STRONGLY ATTACHED.

I THEREFORE APPRECIATE THE EARLY RESUMPTION OF CONSULTATIONS ON THE SPECIFIC QUESTION OF RECONVENING THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE CONFERENCE ON THE MIDDLE EAST WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF ALL PARTIES CONSCERNED, NAMELY EGYPT, SYRIA, JORDAN, THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION, ISRAEL AS WELL AS THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS AND

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF SUCH CONTACTS AS WELL AS THE ENSUING PROCESS WOULD BE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST WHICH WOULD LEAD TO A JUST AND DURABLE PEACE BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND SELF DETERMINATION, THIS NECESSITATES THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS REWS THAT PROVIDE FOR THE TOTAL WITHDRAWAL OF THE ISRAELI FPRCES FROM ALL THE ARAB LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TERRITORIES OCCUPIED SINCE JUNE 1967, AND THE RESTORATION OF THE NATIONAL RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION,

ISMAIL FAHMY DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.	
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